

FACT SHEET ON THE OLD-AGE, SURVIVORS, AND DISABILITY INSURANCE PROGRAM

A. BENEFICIARIES IN CURRENT-PAYMENT STATUS, JUNE 30, 2010

Type of benefit	Number of beneficiaries [In thousands]	Monthly rate [In millions]	Average monthly amount
Total	53,398	\$57,092	a/
Retired workers and their family members, total	37,048	41,615	a/
Retired workers	34,138	39,938	\$1,170
Spouses	2,331	1,345	577
Children	580	333	574
Survivors of deceased workers, total	6,391	6,334	a/
Children	1,930	1,449	751
Widowed mothers and fathers with child beneficiaries in their care . . .	157	132	839
Aged widow(er)s, and aged parents.	4,066	4,590	1,129
Disabled widow(er)s	239	163	682
Disabled workers and their family members, total	9,958	9,143	a/
Disabled workers	8,002	8,525	1,065
Spouses	160	46	286
Children	1,796	572	318

^a Since the benefit amounts for workers and for the various types of family members and survivors are based on different proportions of the worker's benefit, average monthly amounts for groups of these different kinds of beneficiaries are not meaningful.

B. SELECTED CATEGORIES OF BENEFICIARIES (INCLUDED ABOVE) IN CURRENT-PAYMENT STATUS, JUNE 30, 2010

Type of benefit	Number of beneficiaries [In thousands]	Monthly rate [In millions]
Disabled beneficiaries (OASDI)—Workers, disabled children aged 18 and over, and disabled widow(er)s	9,175	\$9,321
Children (OASDI)	4,306	2,353
Student children	177	115
Disabled children aged 18 and over	935	633
Children under age 18	3,195	1,605
Survivor children and widowed mothers and fathers	2,087	1,580
Beneficiaries aged 62 and over (OASDI)	42,202	47,762
Beneficiaries aged 65 and over (OASDI)	36,965	42,285

C. AVERAGE MONTHLY FAMILY BENEFITS IN CURRENT-PAYMENT STATUS, JUNE 30, 2010

Selected family ^a group	Number of families [In thousands]	Average family benefit	Average number of beneficiaries per family
Retired worker alone.	31,431	\$1,158	1.000
Retired worker and spouse, aged 62 and over	2,214	1,900	2.000
Disabled worker, spouse under full retirement age, and 1 or more children	72	1,803	3.972
Widowed parent and 2 children .	49	2,392	3.000
Children of deceased worker ^b . .	1,171	986	1.327
Aged widow(er) alone	3,883	1,128	1.000

^a A family means beneficiaries entitled on one worker's account.

^b In most cases, the family includes a widowed parent whose benefits are withheld due to earnings.

D. MEASURES OF PROTECTION

1. Coverage

About 156 million people will work in OASDI-covered employment in 2010.

About 93 percent of workers in paid employment and self-employment are covered under the OASDI program.

2. Benefit receipt among the elderly

As of June 30, 2010, about 91 percent of the population aged 65 and over were receiving benefits.

3. Protection for survivors of young workers

About 97 percent of persons aged 20-49 who worked in covered employment in 2009 have acquired survivorship protection for their children under age 18 (and surviving spouses caring for children under age 16).

4. Disability protection

About 91 percent of persons aged 21-64 who worked in covered employment in 2009 can count on monthly cash benefits if they suffer a severe and prolonged disability.

E. OPERATIONS OF OASI AND DI TRUST FUNDS, COMBINED

[In billions]

	Calendar year 2009	Fiscal year 2009	Cumulative 1937 through end of—	
			Calendar year 2009	Fiscal year 2009
Income	\$807.5	\$807.0	\$13,866.2	\$13,656.4
Contributions	667.3	668.2	12,237.7	12,091.6
Other	140.2	138.8	1,628.6	1,564.9
Expenditures	685.8	669.7	11,325.9	11,152.8
Benefit payments .	675.5	659.6	11,097.6	10,926.1
OASI	557.2	544.5	9,598.5	9,457.2
DI	118.3	115.1	1,499.1	1,468.9
Other	10.3	10.1	228.3	226.7
Assets, end of period	2,540.3	2,503.6	2,540.3	2,503.6

Note: Totals may not equal the sums of rounded components.

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